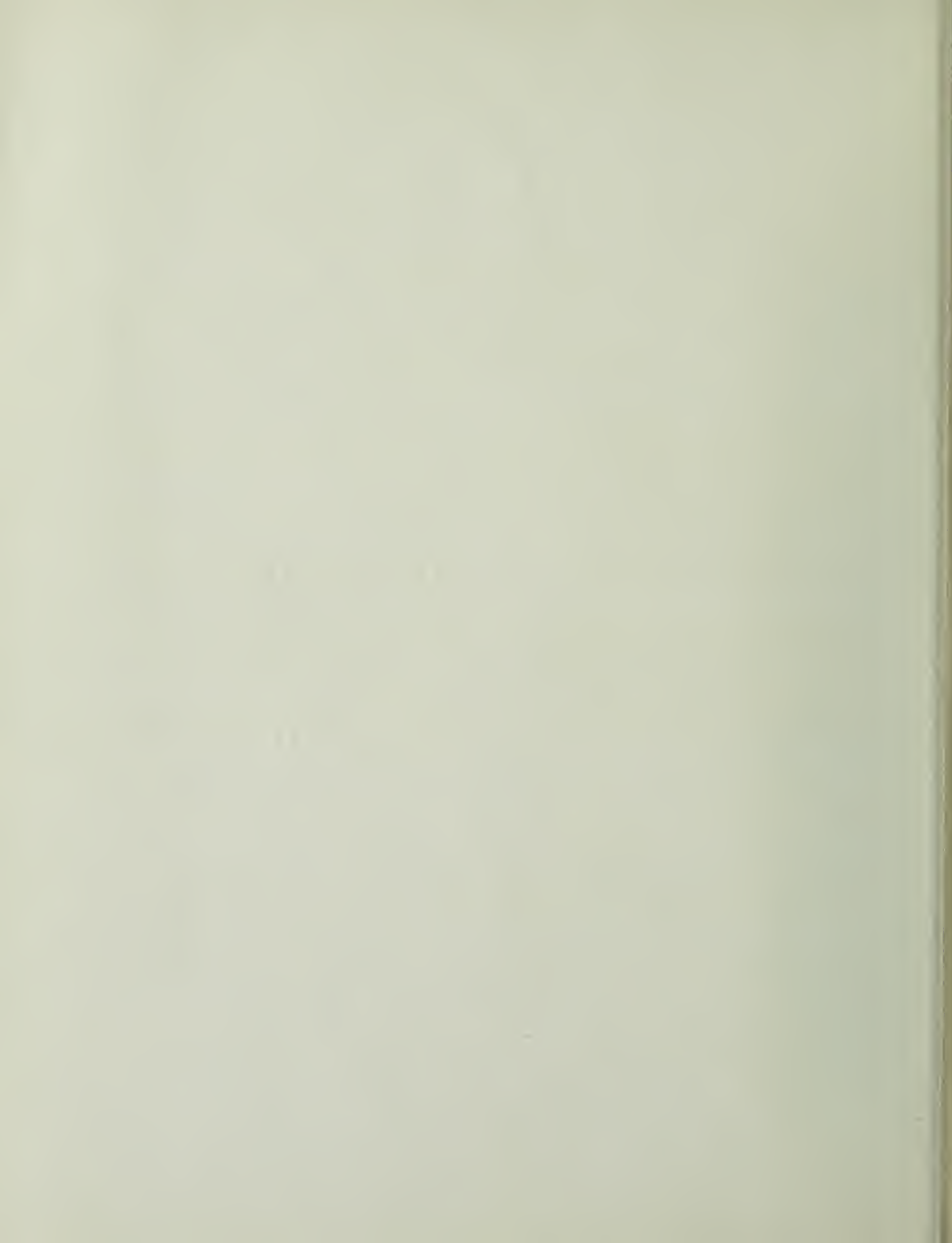


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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
PORT MEDICAL OFFICER.
1958



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Clerk to the Authority:

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NEW SHOREHAM PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

16 Buckingham Road,
Shoreham-by-Sea,
Sussex.

To: The Chairman and Members of
the New Shoreham Port Health
Authority.

26th February, 1959.

Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my report for the year ended 31st December 1958.

During that period 342 vessels including 22 yachts, arrived from foreign ports (n.r.t. 77,479); and 1807 vessels from coastwise ports (n.r.t. 778,102), a total of 2,149 vessels (n.r.t. 855,581).

This shows an increase of 53 vessels from foreign ports and a decrease of 79 vessels from coastwise ports on last year's figures; the decrease in the number of coastwise is explained by the much larger vessels now serving both the Power Station and the Gas Works.

On the 8th June the Holland Steam Ship Co. inaugurated a regular weekly service of general cargo vessels from Amsterdam and in September the General Steam Navigation Co. a fortnightly service from France. During June there was an almost daily arrival from Jersey with potatoes.

During the year 334 vessels from foreign ports and 1418 from coastwise ports were inspected; 254 revisits were made to vessels from foreign ports and 49 to coastwise vessels. Four notices for defects were served, all being complied with. Minor defects such as lack of cleanliness in galleys and crews' quarters were dealt with by verbal cautions to the master or crew of the vessel concerned.

The Dark Smoke (Permitted Periods)(Vessels) Regulations came into force on the 1st June 1958. All vessels were notified of the provisions of this Act. The co-operation of both masters and chief engineers has been excellent in the prevention of smoke nuisances, only one vessel having exceeded the three minute period of black smoke - this being due to a defect in the engine room.

Rodent Control.

All vessels from foreign ports were searched during and on completion of discharge.

72 Deratting Exemption Certificates and 5 Rodent Control Certificates were issued during the year.

Food Inspection.

Imports of food cargoes have again increased; during the year 145 inspections of various cargoes were made. One sample of cockles was submitted for bacteriological examination and proved to be satisfactory.

The following is a summary of the foods imported:-

Potatoes	7513 tons	Grapes	1330 tons
Onions	465 "	Mandarins	400 "
Cabbages	4 "	Oranges	1350 "
Tomatoes	144 cases	Apples	440 "
Turnips	5 tons	Cherries	6 "
Vegetables in brine	47 "		
Bacon	1316 bales	Lard	1034 drums
Tinned ham	1025 cases	Lard	16206 cases
Tinned meats	17516 "	Butter	4231 "
Tinned tongue	575 "	Margarine	40 "
Cooking fat	400 "	Cheese	5766 "
Milk powder	2400 "	Edible oil	600 "
Cocoa butter	2114 bales		
Chocolate confectionery	1078 cases	Fruit juices	1000 cases
Macaroni	1535 "	Tinned fruits	475 "
Peanut flakes	180 "	Tinned mushrooms	185 "
Rusks	300 "	French mustard	$\frac{1}{2}$ ton
Cockles	125 baskets	Cherries in SO ₂	39 tons

Condemned foods:-

4 cases French lard	6 tins Blackcurrant juice
2 tins Gherkins in vinegar	14 cases mandarins

With the increasing use of Aldrington Basin for the discharge of general cargoes, the sanitary conveniences there are insufficient.

Included in the general cargoes on occasions have been several tons of wet hides, which may constitute a danger from Anthrax. Arrangements were made for the vessels concerned to supply hot water and disinfectants to all the personnel handling these.

Houseboats.

Regular inspections were made of houseboats moored in Southwick Canal and on the River Adur at Shoreham, all being maintained in good condition.

Infectious Disease.

All vessels from suspected ports were boarded on arrival, but no cases of infectious disease were notified.

In conclusion I wish to thank Dr. A. J. Partridge, the Deputy Port Medical Officer, Mr. T. Bardley, the Deputy Port Health Inspector and the Officers of H.M. Customs, the Shoreham Harbour Trustees, and the shipping agents for their co-operation throughout the year. Particularly I wish to thank Mr. Tate upon whose shoulders falls the bulk of the routine work.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

T. H. HARRISON

Port Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION I

STAFF

TABLE A.

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other appointments held
T.H.Harrison	Port Medical Officer	1.4.55	M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., D.T.M. & H.	M.O.H. to Shoreham & Southwick U.D.C.s. M.O.H. to Chancton- bury R.D.C. Assistant M.O.H. to W.S.C.C.
A.J.Partridge	Deputy Port Medical Officer	1.4.55	F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.R.C.O.G.	Police Surgeon, West Sussex Constabu- lary Steyning Division.
A. Tate	Port Health Inspector	1.8.55	D.P.A., C.R.S.I., M.A.P.H.I.	--
T.A.Eardley	Deputy Port Health Inspector	1942	C.S.I.B.	Public Health Inspector to South- wick U.D.C

Address and telephone number of
the Medical Officer of Health:

"White Lodge",
85 Buckingham Road,
SHOREHAM-BY-SEA.

Shoreham 3550.

SECTION II

AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR.

TABLE B.

SHIPS FROM:	NO.	NET TONNAGE	NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS		INFECTIOUS DISEASE
			M. O. H.	P. H. I.	
FOREIGN	342	77,479		330	Nil
COASTWISE	1807	778,102		1418	Nil
TOTALS	2149	855,581		1748	Nil

SECTION III

CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR.

TABLE C.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC. A number of passengers travel to and from the continent on the regular Shoreham-Rouen-Ostend cargo vessels.

CARGO TRAFFIC.

IMPORTS

CARGO	NO. OF SHIPS		NET REG. TONNAGE	
	FOREIGN	COASTAL	FOREIGN	COASTAL
COAL	7	584	3152	550420
OIL		603		90333
BEACH		495		95173
SLAG		40		21883
STONE	11	15	2398	6283
BALLAST	24	60	6743	12394
GENERAL	95		26263	
TIMBER	112		25937	
FRUIT	10		2484	
POTATOES	39	2	7386	408
ONIONS	1		183	
BRICKS	5		521	
TILES	2		230	
BOG ORE	2		678	
POTASH	1		185	
PEAT MOSS	2		558	
COKE		3		798
IRON		2		410
YACHTS	22		761	
TUGS		2		
H. M. SHIPS	9	1		
TOTALS	342	1807	77479	778102

EXPORTS

CARGO	NO. OF SHIPS	NET REG. TONNAGE
GENERAL	85	23740
SCRAP	50	7216
COKE BREEZE	20	6605
RAILS	6	2164
SPENT OXIDE	3	478
ENGINES	3	939
STRAW	1	317
TOTALS	168	41459

PRINCIPAL PORTS FROM WHICH SHIPS ARRIVE.

BRITISH

Southampton	832
Goole	274
London	284
Tyne	96
Blyth	82
Hartlepool	59
Middlesbro	44
Immingham	21
Port Talbot	29
Hull	18
Various other ports	60

FOREIGN

Channel Isles	40
Amsterdam	30
Ostend	22
Rouen	42
Dieppe	16
Rotterdam	9
Boulogne	9
Rundvik.	8

V A R I O U S
P O R T S

Sweden	52	Holland	55
Finland	39	Poland	1
Channel Isles	40	Italy	1
Denmark	8	Norway	2
Russia	6	Spain	5
France	90	Greece	4
Belgium	30	Cyprus	1
Germany	2	I.F.S.	6

FOREIGN PORTS FROM WHICH VESSELS HAVE ARRIVED.

SWEDEN

Ala, Gefle, Gothenburg, Hamina, Halmstad, Haparanda, Harnosund, Hudiksvall, Kalmar, Karlsham, Karlsborg, Karlsvik, Koping, Kristianstad, Pitea, Rundvik, Sandvik, Stockholm, Turnadal, Vasa, Hogarnas.

FINLAND

Helsinki, Haukipudas, Kemi, Kotka, Kasko, Merikavia, Mantyluoto, Porsnas, Pateniemi, Roytta, Skoghal, Turku, Valkom, Xpila.

DENMARK

Brohl, Esbjerg, Ejersley, Koge, Skarrehage, Nykoping.

RUSSIA

Archangel, Leningrad, Mesane, Petsora.

FRANCE Bordeaux, Boulogne, Calais, Cherbourg, Dieppe, Deauville, Dunkirk, Granville, Honfleur, Le Havre, Le Mailleraie, Rouen, Tonnaye Charriente.

BELGIUM Antwerp, Brussels, Ghent, Ostend, Zeebrugge

GERMANY Hamburg, Kiel.

HOLLAND Amsterdam, Franeker, Humbeek, Hansweert, Oistram, Marsluis, Rotterdam, Ternuezen, Velsen.

POLAND Stettin.

ITALY Naples.

NORWAY Christiansand, Nordmalling.

SPAIN Almeira, Valencia, Passajes.

GREECE Candia, Heraklion, Khios.

CYPRUS Limassol.

I.F.S. Dublin, Mulroy.

SECTION IV.

INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC.

Number using the district - Nil

Tonnage - Nil

Places served by the traffic - Nil

SECTION V

WATER SUPPLY.

Source of supply for the district - Brighton Corporation

Source of supply for shipping - Brighton Corporation

Reports of tests for contamination - One sample of water was taken and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory. The result was satisfactory.

Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes - Hosepipes are delivered from store and collected on request.

Number and sanitary condition of water boats, and powers of control by authority - Nil.

SECTION VI

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS 1952

No change.

SECTION VII.

SMALLPOX.

- (i) Arrangements have been made for the removal of smallpox cases to Long Reach Hospital, Dartford.
- (ii) The transport of smallpox patients would be by ambulance provided by the Brighton Corporation.
- (iii) The Consultant in respect of suspected cases of smallpox is Dr. W.S. Parker, Medical Officer of Health, Brighton.
- (iv) The Public Health Laboratory in Brighton is available for examination of specimens submitted for diagnosis.

SECTION VIII

VENEREAL DISEASE.

No change.

11 cases reported to Brighton and Worthing Clinics for treatment as follows:

2 gonorrhoea
2 non-specific urethritis
7 other conditions.

SECTION IX

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS.

TABLE D.

Category	Disease	No. of cases during year		No. of ships concerned
		Pass.	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports		Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed before arrival		Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships		Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION X

MALARIA IN SHIPS.

No ships visit the Port from Malarial countries.

SECTION XI

MEASURES AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED FOR PLAGUE.

No cases of plague have been reported on ships arriving at this Port.

SECTION XII

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

All ships from foreign ports were searched during and on completion of discharge, but no evidence of rats was found.

TABLE E.

No rat infestation has been found on ships from foreign ports.

TABLE F.

72 Deratting Exemption Certificates were issued during the year.

SECTION XIII

INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

TABLE G.

Nature and Number of Inspections	No. of ships	Notices served		Result of serving notices - complied with
		Statutory	Others	
Foreign	334	-	1	1
Coastwise	1418	-	3	3

SECTION XIV

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL-FISH) REGULATIONS 1934 and 1948

No change.

SECTION XV

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

No change.

